

TO: Montague Board of Selectmen
FROM: David Brule, Chairman, Montague Historic Commission
RE: Historic Commission's position on the Farren Hospital issue

Dear Board of Selectman,

At the December 1, 2021 meeting the Montague Historic Commission voted to support the Town Administrators' efforts to obtain further clarifying information concerning the future of the Farren Memorial Hospital building.

Although the original hospital building does not have specific status as a historic building in an historic district, the building does have value in the eyes of many of the residents of Montague.

The owners of the Farren building stated publicly that they would share the findings of their assessment of either demolition or re-use options of the building. We feel that transparency in this regard would create greater understanding among Montague residents for the rationale supporting either of the outcomes.

Sincerely David Brule, for the Montague Historic Commission